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### A SECOND PARABLE.

And he added and spake another Parable unto them and said: There lived in a certain place two well-to-do fruit ranchers, each owning twenty acres of land, set to fruit trees. Each had teams, tools, and help sufficient to harvest and dry all his own fruit. Both of them are devoted members of the Advent Church.

Now it came to pass that each of their places produced bountifully and each had stored in his fruit house 19 tons of prunes, 5 tons of peaches and 5 tons of apricots. Prunes are worth \$100 per ton, peaches \$200 and apricots \$400.

Jones says: My Church teaches me that Saturday, the seventh day, is the Sabbath, and I must keep that sacredly to the Lord as a day of rest. No other day will answer. I must keep that—no more, no less—from evening Friday until evening Saturday. It also teaches me that I must give the tenth to the Church. We count time by days, fruit by tons. I will commence with the prunes.

He weighs out 9 tons for himself and one for the Church, putting that by itself. Then he weighs out 9 tons for himself and the prunes are no more. Of peaches and apricots there are no tenth ton and so none for the Church. His prunes bring him \$1800, peaches \$1000, apricots \$2000; total \$4800. The ton of prunes for the Church brings \$100, which he conscientiously hands to his Church.

Smith says: I think the spirit of the teaching of the Church is that one-tenth of my income shall be given to the Church. I will sell all and give one-tenth to the Church. It all brings me \$4900, one-tenth of which is \$490. So he promptly hands the \$490 to the Church to help carry on its various kinds of work.

The one has obeyed in the spirit, the other in the letter. Which has done the better?

OBSERVER.

### Rev. and Mrs. Atkinson Return Home.

Rev. and Mrs. G. E. Atkinson returned from their extended Eastern trip a few days ago. With them came Mrs. Atkinson's sister, Miss Sherer, of Tomah, Wisconsin.

Rev. and Mr. Atkinson had a most interesting trip, the latter visiting her home in Tomah, and where also Mr. Atkinson spent two weeks, preaching there one Sunday. He says that Santa Clara Valley weather suits him better than the storms of the East. During the first week after his arrival there he saw three barns burned, which had been struck by lightning, the barns being worth approximately two thousand dollars each.

Rev. Mr. Atkinson went on to Cleveland to attend the National Council of the Congregational Churches and where he again occupied the pulpit. He also preached at Oberlin, Chicago, Elgin, Des Moines and Grinnell. At Grinnell he spoke in the new chapel in which were Memorial Windows for Mrs. S. F. Cooper and Mrs. L. F. Parker, the two ladies who had most to do with the early history of the college. In the same Chapel was a Memorial Missionary Window in which appeared the name of Mr. Atkinson's brother.

At Oberlin Mr. Atkinson occupied the pulpit made famous by President Finney.

Mr. Atkinson while East used his stereopticon to good advantage and the views of this locality were greatly appreciated.

### Special Session of Legislature.

Governor Gillett has called a special session of the legislature to deal with the financial situation. It may be a good plan to assist San Francisco by approving of the charter amendments which were carried at the recent election, but we doubt the wisdom of extending the time for the payment of taxes. It is safe to say that the banks can and will, if necessary, furnish their customers with coin to pay the

first installment of taxes now. If an extension of time is given, tax money will cease to come in and many county treasurers will be found short of coin to meet maturing school and other county bonds, besides other regular expenses. In many cases the treasurers have loaned out or banked heavily, expecting, of course, to receive the tax money to meet these obligations. The result will be a complication a little later, and the remedy will

no doubt prove worse than the cure.

### The Stork Arrives.

William Arthur Robinson is the name of a little baby boy that arrived Sunday morning, Nov. 17th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Robinson of Sunnyside avenue.

A baby boy arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Preston on Nov. 3rd.

A baby girl arrived recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shadow of Gilman avenue.

### Business Needs a Rest.

By WILLIS L. KING, Vice President of the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company.

YOU have doubtless heard the story of the man in perfect health who was put to bed by his friends, who had agreed among themselves to make the experiment of telling him that he looked bad and should see a doctor. The country, I think, IS IN DANGER OF SOME SUCH FATE.

The pessimism of the eastern press is almost universal, and the conservative optimist seems relegated to the "way back" seat. FORTUNATELY the west does not share in this pessimism.

THE CONDITIONS DO NOT WARRANT ALARM, BUT DO ADMONISH THOUGHTFUL MEN THAT THE TREMENDOUS EXPANSION OF THE LAST FEW YEARS MUST TAKE A REST UNTIL THE FINANCIAL EQUILIBRIUM OF THE COUNTRY IS RE-ESTABLISHED. THIS DOES NOT, I FEEL, MEAN AN EXTENDED OR EXTREME INTERFERENCE WITH BUSINESS, BUT A GRADUAL AND HEALTHY READJUSTMENT, IN WHICH THERE WILL BE A SATISFACTORY VOLUME AND FAIR PRICES.

Such commodities as are now selling at fair and reasonable prices based on their cost will not suffer, but anything that has been UN-DULY ADVANCED BY REASON OF THE GREAT DEMAND will find its proper level.

The country is certainly richer than it was a year or even three months ago. The farmers have harvested a \$7,000,000,000 crop, and the mines have added many millions to our wealth. It is the part of wisdom, therefore, TO AWAIT THE FUTURE WITH CONFIDENCE and not be carried away by a fear of something that is not at all likely to happen.

### Suffrage Movement Doomed to Failure.

By Miss PHOEBE COUZINS, Lawyer and Former Suffragist.

THE participation of women in politics does not raise the tone in the least. I have proof of that. I have seen lovely women take their carriages and go into the slums of the city, where a smile and some silver would bring easy votes, and spend their time on election day to put into office MEN WHO HAD BROKEN ALL THE LAWS IN THE DECALOGUE save possibly that of outright murder.

Then, too, I have been forced to the MOURNFUL CONCLUSION that women were not designed by the Creator for the ROUGH AND TUMBLE ACTIVITY OF PUBLIC AND POLITICAL LIFE. They haven't the necessary stamina for public life; they can't stand up under it as men can. Nature hasn't endowed them with the needed nervous force. Then they cannot look at public questions IMPERSONALLY. They persist in confounding personalities with principles. In all movements requiring organization woman is a FAILURE. In philanthropy, art, literature, charity, women are all right, but when it comes to politics they are distinctly OUT OF PLACE.

I SPEAK AS ONE HAVING KNOWLEDGE, AND I SAY THAT IT IS MY FIRM BELIEF THAT THE WOMAN SUFFRAGE MOVEMENT HAS REACHED ITS MERIDIAN AND IS DOOMED.

### Churches to Blame For Unrest.

By Rabbi STEPHEN S. WISE of New York.

CIVIC righteousness and the advocacy of PRACTICAL MORALITY IN BUSINESS LIFE today lie outside of and beyond the efforts of the churches. The churches should take as their motto, "Render unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's and to God the things which are God's—but all are God's." THE AFFAIRS OF THE CITY ARE THE AFFAIRS OF GOD.

The churches of the land have FAILED, else we would not be looking on the spectacle which faces us today, the violation of stewardship by men of high degree.

THE SHAME AND INIQUITY IN THE HIGH PLACES IN THE WORLD OF AFFAIRS CONSTITUTE A TERRIBLE INDICTMENT OF THE CHURCHES IN SO FAR AS THEY HAVE FAILED TO TEACH WITH CONQUERING AUTHORITY THAT A DISHONEST BANKER CANNOT BE A GOOD JEW AND THAT A LOOTING DIRECTOR CANNOT BE A TRUE CHRISTIAN.

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## WHAT THE WORLD HAS BEEN DOING

Important Happenings of the Past Week Tersely Related in Short Paragraphs.

Current Events in Every Part of the Globe Gathered by Many Correspondents and Briefly Reviewed for the Benefit of Our Readers.

Canton, O.—John C. Dueber, owner of the Dueber-Hampden Watch Works here, said to be the largest watch factory in the world, is dead.

Valparaiso, Chile.—Fire caused a loss estimated at \$500,000. Seven firemen were injured, and the American firm of Wessell, Duval & Co. sustained considerable loss.

London.—At her official trial the British torpedo boat destroyer Mohawk attained the record speed of 34.24 knots an hour. This speed is equal to about thirty-nine and one-half land miles an hour.

Rome.—Six of the anarchists who attacked Cardinal Merry Del Val, Papal Secretary of State, at Marino, in August, have been sentenced to terms of imprisonment varying from two to four months and to pay a fine.

The Hague.—The Government has presented to Parliament a bill for the reclamation of a portion of the Zuyder Zee at a cost of \$11,200,000. The work will occupy seven years and will yield about 40,000 acres of fertile land.

Chicago.—David and Isaac Loeb—L. Loeb's Sons—filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States Court. The Loebes were engaged in the wholesale clothing business. They assert their liabilities amount to \$69,206, with assets of \$16,140.

Washington.—The president has withdrawn 29,481 acres of land lying along the eastern border of the Sierra national forest in Inyo county as a proposed addition to that forest. The withdrawn lands are not subject to entry except under the mineral land laws.

Kingfisher, Okla.—Guy Condit, cashier of the First National Bank attempted to kill himself by slashing his throat. He will recover. Anxiety over the financial situation preyed on his mind until he became despondent. His accounts are straight and his bank solid.

Brussels.—King Leopold, in order to disinherit his daughters, has transferred his enormous private fortune in the Congo Free State treasury. He recently realized \$6,000,000 through the sale of Congo shares and invested the sum in France in the name of hismorganatic wife.

London.—With the permission of King Edward, the Royal Society has awarded the Copley medal to Professor Albert A. Michelson of the University of Chicago for practical investigation, and the Davy medal to Professor Edward Williams Morley of Cleveland, Ohio, for his investigations in physics and chemistry.

North Adams, Mass.—Henry H. Warner was appointed receiver of the Arnold print works a few days ago. The embarrassment is caused by inability of the company to renew loans. This is one of the largest textile manufacturing plants in the State, employing about 6,000 operatives. The company has only \$9,000,000 liabilities against \$15,000,000 assets.

New York.—The apple crop of the United States for 1907, as estimated by the American Agriculturist, is scant 24,000,000 barrels, materially short of last year. What is of great importance is the shortage in such commercial orchard sections as Western New York, nearly all of Michigan and the entire Southwest. There is what may be set down as an absolute failure in Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska.

Elizabethgrad, Russia.—In a collision between peasants and cossacks while recruits were being summoned to the colors at Gofa, near here, several men were killed or wounded on both sides. When seized some of the students showed unwillingness to join the army, the church bells were rung and a great crowd assembled whereupon the Cossacks opened fire on the people. A state of minor martial law has been proclaimed at Elizabethgrad.

London.—The dispute between the railway companies and their employees has been settled and there will be no strike. Eleven of the leading companies and representatives of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants have signed an agreement drafted by Lloyd George, president of the Board of Trade, providing for the consideration of disputes by a board of conciliation composed equally of directors of the companies and employees, with an appeal to arbitration if the trouble cannot be settled by the board. The agreement is terminable by a year's notice at the end of six years.

## HARD TO RETAIN POSTAL CLERKS.

Revision of Present Law Will Be Urged to Meet Emergency Conditions in the West.

Washington.—First Assistant Postmaster-General Hitchcock has returned from an extended trip through the West, which he took with a view of ascertaining at first hand the conditions that prevail in the postal service in that part of the country.

Difficulty has been experienced by the Postoffice Department for a considerable time in retaining the services of efficient and experienced employees, especially clerks and carriers in many Western offices. This condition prevails particularly in the mining regions of the Rocky mountains, where in the past few years towns have sprung up almost overnight and cities have grown in a few months. In these places prices of everything, including labor, are high. In many instances living expenses are two-fold higher than in the Middle West and East. The Postoffice employees simply could not afford to work for the salaries paid by the Government.

It is Hitchcock's purpose to advocate the adoption by Congress of an amendment to the graded salary law providing that in exceptional instances Postmasters on a proper showing to the Department may be allowed to pay salaries to clerks and carriers as of a higher grade than they hold in order that their services may be retained.

## Oriental Flock Over Border.

Vancouver, B. C.—Ten thousand three hundred Orientals have arrived in Vancouver since the beginning of this year. Of these, 8,000 are Japanese, 2,000 Hindus and 300 Chinese. The figures are furnished by Dr. A. S. Monro, the Dominion Government medical inspector for Vancouver.

Two thousand of the Japanese have crossed the boundary line into the United States, at least 500 of them illegally. This leaves 6,000 Japanese in the district around Vancouver since the first of the year, to say nothing of the previous influx. One-third of the Chinese who have reached here have undoubtedly smuggled themselves into the United States. Two-thirds of the Hindus who have arrived are probably still within a stone's throw of Vancouver.

## Sonoma Vineyardists Do Well.

Santa Rosa.—The vintage season in Sonoma county is rapidly drawing to a close. The grape crop turned out better than was expected, and most of the growers realized splendid prices for their product.

Tens of thousands of gallons of the famous wines that old Sonoma produces have been made. Most of the wineries have been running full blast.

Hundreds of acres of new vineyards will be set out in this county in resistant vines.

## Two Thousand Homeless by Fire.

Iquique, Chile.—Fire, entailing losses amounting to \$1,000,000, the largest since 1882, visited this city Sunday, and in consequence no less than 2,000 are homeless.

Seven and one-half blocks were burned before it was under control.

The property destroyed was mostly dwellings of the poor, about a mile from the commercial quarter of the city.

## Crooked Russian Official Punished.

St. Petersburg.—M. Gurko, Vice-Minister of the Interior, has been found guilty of malfeasance, sentenced to dismissal and ordered to make restitution of over \$250,000. Through an illegal contract M. Gurko made a deal with an irresponsible individual named Lidval to supply all the grain to the famine-stricken people, and advanced him \$400,000 without security.

## Post Cards for Orphans.

Washington.—The Postmaster-General has ordered that hereafter souvenir post cards received at the Dead Letter Office of the Department, and not returnable to senders because of defective address or other causes, be sent to the orphan asylums and children's homes in this city. Between 40,000 and 60,000 of these cards are received at the Dead Letter Office daily.

## Japs Killed in Collision.

Antonio, Colo.—Four Japanese laborers were killed and several other Japanese and one white brakeman injured in a collision between a freight train and a work train on the Denver & Rio Grande Railway at Toltec siding, twenty-five miles south of Antonio.

## Perry's Ship Saratoga Sold.

Washington.—The Navy Department will accept the bid of \$3,210 by Thomas Butler & Co. of Boston, highest bidder for the old and obsolete sloop of war Saratoga, built in 1824. The sloop was one of Commodore Perry's ships on his Japanese expedition.

## PLANS FINISHED FOR TRIP OF GREAT WARSHIP FLEET

Washington.—The itinerary of Admiral Evans' battleship fleet on its voyage to San Francisco has been made public at the Navy Department. As heretofore announced, the fleet will assemble at Hampton Roads on December 9th, and depart from there December 16th, touching on the way to San Francisco at Trinidad, Rio Janeiro, Punta Arenas, Callao and Magdalena Bay.

The fleet is scheduled to arrive at Trinidad December 24th, Rio Janeiro January 11th, Punta Arenas January 31st, Callao February 18th, and Magdalena bay March 14th. At each of these places the ships will remain from five to eleven days, except at Magdalena bay, from which place the date of departure depends upon the completion of target practice there. For the same reason the date of arrival at San Francisco has not been determined.

The torpedo boat destroyer flotilla will leave Hampton Roads December 2d, and because of their greater speed, more limited draft and smaller tonnage these boats will stop at many more places than the battle-ships. The stay of the torpedo boat destroyers at each port will be about four or five days. The itinerary contemplates their arrival at various places as follows: San Juan December 7th, Trinidad December 15th, Para December 26th, Pernambuco January 5th, Rio Janeiro January 15th, Montevideo January 25th, Punta Arenas February 8th, Talcahuana February 20th, Callao March 4th, Panama March 16th, Acapulco March 28th, and Magdalena bay April 6th.

As in the case of the battle-ship fleet, the dates of departure from Magdalena bay and arrival at San Francisco depend upon the completion of target practice in the bay. The flotilla will be commanded by Lieutenant-Commander Cone.

## SAN FRANCISCO BANKS ARE NOW IN NORMAL CONDITION

San Francisco.—The consensus of opinion in banking circles is that the local financial situation is improving steadily and that conditions are rapidly becoming normal. This opinion is expressed by bankers, by merchants and by the members of the Bank Commission. The general public continues free from worry over the money it has on deposit in the savings and commercial banks.

The clearing-house certificates are circulating freely throughout the city. The general opinion is that they were issued at a happy moment for the relief of the financial stringency and that they are doing their work well.

"The clearing-house certificates are being accepted as readily as gold," said I. W. Hellman Jr. "Things are rapidly getting back to a normal basis, and if conditions continue as they now are it should not be very long before the clearing-house certificates are retired and things go on as before."

Optimistic statements of the same nature were made by other bankers. Homer S. King, president of the clearing-house association, said: "The situation is slowly working itself out. It might be said that we got a stroke of paralysis and can't recover right away. The situation will improve slowly and cannot be hurried."

King stated that money would soon begin to move westward from New York, until the situation is entirely relieved.

Bank Commissioners Garoutte and Lynch express great confidence in the condition of the banks in this city and say it is only a matter of a short while before all will be well again.

## SANTA FE RAILROAD FINED \$330,000 FOR REBATING

Los Angeles.—A fine of \$5,000 on each of 66 counts, aggregating \$330,000, was assessed against the Santa Fe Railroad Company for rebating. Judge Olin Wellborn might have nulled the guilty corporation in the sum of \$1,320,000, had he chosen to inflict the maximum penalty, but he determined upon what he called an "intermediate" punishment. The case was reviewed by the court at length, in a written opinion wherein the company's intention of wrong doing was held to have been apparent.

The Santa Fe Company was convicted on October 11 by a jury in the Federal Court of granting rebates to the Grand Canyon Lime and Cement Company of Arizona. It was found guilty on all of the 66 counts charged in the indictment after but an hour's deliberation. The rebates which were given on shipments of lime and cement from Nelson, Ariz., to Los Angeles, ranged in amounts from 35 cents to \$15. The company claimed that these amounts were not rebates on the regular freight rate, but were in the form of damages to goods shipped, which were allowed after such claim had been regularly presented and proved in each instance.

The court did not take that view of the case, however, and said that it "was not convinced by any means that these amounts represented bona fide settlements of claims."

## HAYASHI SAYS MIKADO AND UNCLE SAM ARE IN ACCORD

Tokio.—The official silence so long maintained by Japan on the subject of the relations of the United States and Japan in connection with the persistent reports of friction was broken by an Associated Press interview with Minister of Foreign Affairs Hayashi. He prefaced his statement by expressing the hope that a sincere pronouncement by the foreign minister of Japan and its publication through the Associated Press would prevent further misrepresentation and finally result in discrediting those who are constantly circulating false and harmful reports. He spoke not only as foreign minister, but as representing the sentiment of the entire cabinet and the public.

Minister Hayashi then said the relations between Japan and America were as smooth and cordial as ever and that the cause of civilization as well as community of interests demanded their lasting peace and friendship. In conclusion, Minister Hayashi said, emphatically and positively: "The attitude assumed by the Japanese government, which after all is only a reflection of public sentiment, is that they are convinced that the cause of civilization as well as community interest demands lasting peace and friendship between the two nations bordering the Pacific."

## AMERICA RANKS SECOND IN SEA STRENGTH OF NATIONS

Washington.—An interesting statement showing the relative order of warship tonnage of the principal powers has been compiled at the office of naval intelligence, which is intended as an answer to frequent inquiries of persons throughout the country who have manifested an interest in the maintenance of the navy and its relative strength and importance. The statement shows that according to the tonnage of today Great Britain leads the world with a tonnage of 1,661,116, the United States following with a tonnage of 611,616, France third with a tonnage of 609,079, Germany

## THOUSANDS DIE IN EARTHQUAKE.

Violent Shocks in Spain and Russia During Which Great Fissures Are Opened.

Madrid.—A violent earthquake has occurred at Torre la Ribera, in the province of Heusca. The earth opened, leaving great fissures, the disturbance being accompanied by subterranean rumblings, which caused a panic among the population. Many houses were shaken down. The number of lives lost is not known, but it is said great loss of life occurred.

St. Petersburg.—A dispatch received from Samarkand by the Official Telegraph Agencies says that a special representative of a local newspaper, who was sent to Karatagh, in the Hissar district of Bokhara, which was destroyed by a landslide following the earthquake of October 21st, reports that 3400 persons perished and only seventy escaped.

## BEWARE OF PYRROHEA ALVEOLARIS!

London Scientist Finds New Kissing Microbe That Destroys the Teeth.

London.—Beware of pyrrhoea alveolaris. According to a London doctor who lectured under the auspices of the national health society, dental authorities have come to the conclusion that this disease, which long has puzzled them, is due to the prevalence of kissing.

The jaw is first affected, loosening of the teeth follows and finally, though the teeth be perfectly sound, they fall out one by one.

What makes the warning all the more dreadful is the statement that a victim of pyrrhoea alveolaris is not likely to recognize the malady in its incipient stages and outwardly there is no sign to betray its presence.

## Carries Gold and Breaks Record.

New York.—With ten millions of gold in her strong box and a new transatlantic record written in her log, the Cunard turbine Lusitania arrived last Friday morning. In one grand performance the great vessel broke her own world's record and brought to the relief of the money market her \$10,000,000 in gold in unprecedented time.

The westbound trip was made approximately in 4 days 19 hours and 10 minutes. Her hourly average was a little better than 24 knots an hour.

The former western record of the turbine, completed October 11th last, was four days nineteen hours fifty-two minutes. The average on that trip was twenty-four knots an hour for the distance of 2781 miles.

## Tension Between Southern Republics.

Montevideo.—The relations between Uruguay and Argentina continue strained as the result of the detention by the Argentine authorities of a small Uruguayan steam vessel, seized at Martin Cracia, a small island in the river Platte. The ownership of the island is in dispute, but it has been held for a century by Argentina. The Uruguayan Government demands the release of the boat, but Argentina's answer has been unfavorable. The Government has decided to withdraw the Legation at Buenos Ayres unless satisfaction is speedily obtained.

## Bigger Than Lusitania.

London.—The Cunarder Mauretania, the Lusitania's sister ship, will make her maiden trip to New York early in December. Though the Lusitania's sister ship, there are differences in measurements. The Mauretania is 300 tons heavier and a few feet longer and quite a bit faster, as indicated by her recent trial run from Scotland, when she attained a speed of 26.1 knots. She carries 3,135 passengers and crew, including 390 engine-men, and is 155 feet high from keel to funnel tops.

## Heavy Timber Fire Raging.

Deadwood, S. D.—Reports from the lumber camps of the McLaughlin Tie and Timber Company, at Weshant, twenty-six miles south of here, tell of a heavy timber fire raging to the west of the camp and close to the Wyoming border. The company sent out a special train of seventy-five men to save their preserves, but the train was checked by flames. The company has half a million feet of cut timber lying in the path of the flames, which will probably be lost.

## Kamchatkan Volcano Active.

Victoria, B. C.—Advices have been received in Japan of remarkable volcanic eruptions on the Kamchatkan peninsula. Mount Kuchoskaya's flames were visible for 500 miles and volcanic ashes have been falling for 200 miles about.

## Not Guilty of Land Grabbing.

Roswell, N. M.—A verdict of not guilty was returned in the case of Benjamin H. Tallmadge of Denver, tried in the Federal Court on the charge of land fraud. Only one ballot was taken by the jury.

## COAST EVENTS BRIEFLY TOLD

Condensed, Interesting Items of News Gleaned from Varied and Numerous Sources.

An Interesting Assemblage of Paragraphs that Give a Readable Review of Important Occurrences During the Past Week.

Oakland.—After a long illness A. R. Guppy, at one time assistant chief engineer of the Central Pacific, died at his home here. Death came as a result of a third stroke of paralysis.

Fresno.—On account of the present condition of the money market the Huntington interests have suspended electrical development work in the mountains of Fresno county. Thirty men and teams have been called home, and the survey of the Fresno-Yosemite line has been discontinued.

San Francisco.—Gavin McNab, the well-known attorney and democratic leader, was struck by a runaway horse at Geary and Market streets and severely injured. He was thrown violently to the ground and sustained a ragged laceration of the scalp three inches in length at the base of the skull.

Pasadena.—Without a moment's warning, Dr. George H. Gardner of 11 Michigan avenue fell dead while standing at the bedside of Mrs. Fred Hayes on North Hudson avenue, where he had gone to make a professional call. He was standing by the patient, taking her pulse, when suddenly he exclaimed, "Oh, my!" and fell to the floor dead.

Los Angeles.—An echo of the disastrous collapse of the Bixby hotel, the re-enforced concrete building in Long Beach which fell and killed several workmen a year ago, was heard last week when four damage suits were filed against F. L. Spaulding, the contractor, for the aggregate sum of \$70,485. The plaintiffs are widows and children of the men who were killed.

Goldfield.—Walter Kline, one of the leading jewelers of this city, was shot and mortally wounded as he was attempting to rob the amalgam plates of the Nevada Goldfield Reduction Mill. He was a member of the leading clubs and carried a stock of diamonds that is said to be the largest in Nevada. A search of Kline's store made it appear that he has been a confirmed thief and high grader.

Martinez.—Deputy Fish Commissioner O'Connell is looking for the fishermen who have illegally taking fish from the bay by means of sunken nets. Suspecting something was wrong, the Fish Commissioner went out in a launch for a cruise on the bay, and by means of a grappling hook and line which he trailed behind the launch succeeded in raising about 1500 fathoms of net that had been sunk by the fishermen.

Vallejo.—The Mare Island yard has now become a great naval supply station for the Pacific. Material and supplies are now being furnished not only to the ships of the fleet, but to the naval station at Puget Sound, the wireless stations, training stations and the Pacific stations at Honolulu, Guam, Tutuilla and Cavite. A new storehouse is to be erected at the yard in the near future, owing to the increased business in this department.

Martinez.—The recent heavy rain found many of the farmers with a large part of their grape crop still on the vines and although the storm was a much heavier one than generally expected, not much damage was done. Following the rain was a cold snap and a sharp wind that had the effect of drying the vineyards. The farmers have been taking advantage of the subsequent good weather to get their crop to market. The year has been a record breaker.

Oakland.—In order to set an example to contractors, architects and builders concerning the extension of structures over sidewalk lines, the board of public works instructed G. E. Elmquist to move a new building owned by him at Forty-seventh street and Shattuck avenue back a distance of 11 inches to bring the upper story on a line with the inside boundary of the sidewalk. The lower part of the building is lined up correctly, but the second story overhangs the sidewalk a distance of 11 inches.

Seattle, Wash.—The fierce winter gales of the North Pacific have made it almost impossible for steamships to discharge cargoes at Katalla, the port below Vadez, where the Morgan-Guggenheim interests expect to develop a real city when the Copper River and Northern Railroad is completed. Steamships carrying supplies to that point are now compelled to stand away off shore until the weather moderates, and most of them have gone into Cordova Bay to discharge and depend upon local steamers to land cargoes.

